

# Hatten Land to build RM200 million theme park in Melaka

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KUALA LUMPUR, Aug 8 – Singapore Exchange-listed Hatten Land Ltd plans to develop a RM200 million water theme park, the largest in Melaka.

The project will be in collaboration with South Korean resort operator Samsung C&T Corporation and Turkey-based water slide supplier Polin Waterparks.

The 500,000-sq-ft Splash World @ Harbour City, located 14 floors above the ground, is scheduled for completion by end-2019, said the Melaka-headquartered property developer.

It would be one of the region's largest water parks and is expected to attract up to 5,200 visitors a day after it opens to the public in the first half of 2020, Hatten Land said in a statement.

The four-storey Splash World @ Harbour City will be nestled between two 30-storey towers on the 14th floor deck of Harbour City @ Melaka, a mixed development in Pulau Melaka, shaped like a large ship.

It will offer an indoor and outdoor waterpark experience with more than one kilometre of water slides.

Melaka Chief Minister Adly Zahari today witnessed the signing ceremony among the three parties to build Splash World @ Harbour City.

Samsung C&T will be operation adviser and consultant while Polin Waterparks will design and manufacture the water slide attractions.

Hatten Land said the world's first "sky" theme park was intended to be a catalyst for the historical city's tourism industry.

The theme park was expected to draw 850,000 to a million visitors annually after the first year of operation, the developer said.

"The presence of the water theme park may also extend the average length of visitors' stays and increase their average spending per day, which bodes well for the tourism sector," it added.

Colin Tan, executive chairman and managing director of Hatten Land, said Splash World @ Harbour City underscored the company's commitment to the long-term development of Melaka.

"We are partnering world-renowned leaders in their respective fields – Samsung C&T Corporation and Polin Waterparks – to place Melaka on the world map as a must-visit destination," he added.